

**TUESDAY 20TH APRIL 2021**

**Another busy Tuesday market with the Pedigree Dairy Sale and a buoyant trade topping at £2020 & £2000 for fresh heifers with Commercials topping the day at £2040.**

**The sheep section saw a firm trade throughout, and some good entries forward selling to 404p/kg for Spring Lambs, hogget's to 340p/kg and £166.60/head. Cull ewes were a super trade, with top prices of £165 & £161 with the whole entry averaging over £107/head.**

**Barrens sold on a solid trade again, with cattle up to 198p/kg for Simmentals and Black & white's to 169p/kg, with the entry averaging 128.57p/kg.**

**Calves sold on a super trade, and some real good quality about, with bulls to £475 for Limousins, and heifers to £360, both from Andrew Hulme, Basford.**

**Pigs sold on a decent trade also with bacon pigs to 146p/kg and heavies to 140p/kg.**

**BARREN COWS (48);**

**Selling time – 10:00am**

**Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)**

Another smashing trade this week with some excellent prices achieved. Top price of 198p/kg for a 675kg Simmental cow from Rushton Spencer, who also sold a 760kg Simmental at 165p/kg and another at 162p/kg for a 740kg Simmental.

Black & white's sold to 169p/kg for a 635kg from ET & ME Pemberton, Cheadle with a 740kg Holstein at 156p/kg from J Bailey & Sons, Biddulph.

Other top prices;

- 155p 810kg Simmental - D & A Stonier, Eaton
- 154p 815kg Holstein - DJ & KL Leadbetter, Sudbury
- 150p 555kg Shorthorn - G G Hall & Son, Croxden
- 150p 760kg Holstein - W E Turnock & Sons, Onecote
- 150p 785kg Holstein - WG & J Clark, Bradnop
- 149p 780kg Holstein - DJ & KL Leadbetter, Sudbury
- 149p 650kg Limousin - K L Potts, Mottram St Andrew
- 148p 825kg Holstein - H W Heath & Son, Hartwell
- 148p 755kg Holstein - P G Beswick & Sons, Rudyard

Overall average of 128.57p/kg or £847.64/head.

Top headage price of £1336.50 and £1255.50 for Simmentals with Black & White's to £1255.10 and £1221.

**CLEAN CATTLE;**

**Selling time – 10:45am approx.**

**Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)**

A small entry sold on a solid trade selling to 238p/kg for a 530kg Limousin heifer from Chris Barnsley, Morridge selling to JW Ash Butchers of Leek.

A pair of smart Limousin heifers from PG Beswick & Sons sold at 199p/kg twice for 605kg and 580kg heifers.

Black & white bulls sold to 181p/kg for a 585kg bull, with others at 180p/kg and 178p/kg from J E Archer & Sons, Hilton.

**DAIRIES (99);**

**Selling time – 11:30am**

**Auctioneers – Meg Elliott (07967 007049) & Mark Elliott (07973 673092)**

Tuesday saw a more buoyant trade for milkers within the Dairy Section with numerous passing the £1800 mark.

The first cow through the ring reached £1940. A powerful third calver from Andrew & Joanna Bunting, she was sold giving 50kg and went to Messrs Baskerville.

Messrs Sutton of Turnditch saw their second calver reach £1900 with another from Messrs Mellor of Earl Sterndale at £1830.

The Buntings also went on to see their two fresh heifers reach £2000 and £2020 respectively.

However topping the day was a stylish commercial second calver from Adrian Barber of Gnosall at £2040.

The entry of Shorthorn In-calf heifers sold to a buoyant trade. All due later in the year the pedigree entry from Messrs Tunnicliffe reached £1400 with commercials from Messrs Hollingworth to £1370.

Young calves also from Messrs Bunting reached £370.

**PIGS (118);****Selling time – 9:15am****Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)**

A strong entry forward selling on a solid trade, with some good prices achieved.

Bacon pigs topped at 146p/kg for a 98kg pig from PF & PD Parsons, Whitchurch with a pair of 90kg pigs at 144p/kg for Laura Smith, Basford and 142p/kg for a 102kg pig from David Goldstraw, Meerbrook. Others sold at 137p/kg, 134p/kg (x3) and 126p/kg for the Parsons.

Heavy pigs sold up to 140p/kg for a 105kg pig from PF & PD Parsons, with J & B Fentem selling heavies at 130p/kg, 128p/kg, 120p/kg and 118p/kg.

A good number of Sows forward selling up to 79p/kg for a 325kg sow and 78p/kg for a 297kg sow, with others at 77p/kg, 76p/kg, 73p/kg, 72p/kg and 71p/kg.

Averages;

Bacon Pigs (81); av 110.69p/kg or £104.03/head

Heavy Pigs (19); av 109.83p/kg or £116.94/head

Cull Sows (11); av 68.02p/kg or £173.38/head.

**SHEEP SECTION;****Selling time 11:00am****Auctioneer – Robert Watkins (07929 946652)****SPRING LAMBS (48);**

Numbers slow at coming forward, but many more could have been sold with some jobs cancelled due to insufficient numbers.

Trade brisk with best to 404p/kg or £160/head. Plenty of 'less fancy' sorts in the entry impacting on the average which levelled at 346p/kg.

Sample prices;

330p 29kg E D Butters, Yoxall

400p 38kg RG &amp; AS Williamson, Wetley Rocks

390p 37kg RG &amp; AS Williamson, Wetley Rocks

386p 38.5kg IE, M &amp; A Wilson, Hollington

404p 39.5kg RG &amp; AS Williamson, Wetley Rocks

376p 41kg RG &amp; AS Williamson, Wetley Rocks

360p 44kg IE, M &amp; A Wilson, Hollington

**BUTCHERS HOGGET'S (386);**

A reasonable entry for time of the year with a run of very poor tail-end sorts and some very well few types, albeit at heavy weights.

Best sold to 340p/kg or £166.60/ head. Better types 300p + even for heavy weights. More of the best could have been sold to the vendors advantage.

Sample prices;

328p 38.5kg D Machin, Horton

340p 41.6kg FS &amp; MJ Heath, Pipe Gate

330p 43.8kg MJ &amp; VP Oliver, Toft Green

328p 40.3kg D Machin, Horton

335p 46kg D Machin, Horton

328p 49.3kg T J Bloor &amp; Son, Endon

325p 47kg MJ &amp; VP Oliver, Toft Green

323p 51.4kg T J Bloor &amp; Son, Endon

312p 52.3kg D Williams, Basford

292p 55.8kg G A Titterton, Milwich

281p 55kg JM &amp; ADJ Hayes, Alstonefield

280p 58.6kg T J Bloor &amp; Son, Endon

**CULL SHEEP (139);**

Less about with trade fierce from start to finish. Higher proportion of the entry was continental ewes which were a joy to sell. Best Texel's to £165/head with others at £161. Best 10 lots over £140/head to average £153. Mules to £99 and best Suffolk ewes to £138.

More required each week!

**SHEEP EARTAG IDENTIFICATION**

**Slaughter Tags are only to be used in sheep under 12 months of age. Ewes should be Double Tagged with a matching pair of tags, one being electric.**

**CALVES (143);****Selling time – 10:00am****Auctioneer – Oliver Hiles (07801 530899);**

Better numbers this week and a full line up of buyers appreciating the quality on offer, Hereford & Angus out in force today.

**26 Continental Bulls av £293.77**

A certainly not enough to feed the buyers demands with a storming good trade all the way through. 7 best sold over £335 with a top price of a remarkable £475 (the best price for a very very long time for a calf!). this calf was a 31 day old Limousin from Andrew Hulme, Basford. Mediums £270 - £300 with smalls under £250. 16 Blues av £302 to £395 - Woodward Partners  
1 Sim to £335 - J & C Hudson  
8 Lims av £253 to £475 - D W & P Hulme  
1 Char to £430 - D & G Tudor

**17 Continental Heifers £177.64**

No where near enough heifers with several buyers not able to get sorted. Andrew Hulme had £360 for his Blue with the top 5 over £215.

10 Blues av £220 to £360 - D W &amp; P Hulme

2 Sims av £124 to £180 - Woodward Partners

5 Lims av £115 to £175 - F E Whittaker &amp; Sons

**72 Natives**

A bumper crop including a big run of 30 from a Spring calving herd.

28 Hereford Bulls av £194 to £355 - DG &amp; JA Ball

13 Angus Bulls av £177 to £245 - W Millington &amp; Co

19 Hereford Heifers av £122 to £215 - DG &amp; JA Ball

12 Angus Heifers av £157 to £240 - W Millington &amp; Co

**20 Black & White Bulls**

Brown Swiss to £178 and Holsteins to £135 with the majority of medium rearer's £40 - £80 and only a few smaller Holsteins under £30.

**ATTENTION TO ARLA PRODUCERS**  
**We can handle our calves and satisfy your contracts. Please let us know if you are an Arla Farmer and we will do the rest.**

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**THIS THURSDAY 22ND APRIL 2021 – 4PM**

**RED MARKET**

**Fortnightly Sale of Barren & Clean Cattle**

Entries taken from 2pm onwards

\*\*\*PLEASE DO NOT FORGET YOUR TB24b

LICENCE IF YOU ARE UNDER TB

RESTRICTIONS\*\*\*

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**SATURDAY 24TH APRIL - 10AM**

**Sale of 417 Store & Breeding Cattle**

**Catalogues Available Online**

**Next Sale Saturday 1st May**

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**SATURDAY 1ST MAY - 11AM**

**Special Sale of Breeding Sheep & Ewes with Lambs at Foot. Please advise of entries.**

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**SATURDAY 15TH MAY - 10:30AM**

**Monthly Sale of Store & Breeding Pigs.**

**Please advise of entries.**

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